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No \$25K for pond hockey

Chad Ingram Staff reporter

Haliburton County will not fund the Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships at \$25,000 a year, but is interested in marketing and branding opportunities. The request was discussed by both the

The request was discussed by both the county's tourism and finance committees on May 14.

Back in April, Neil Lumsden, executive director with J-Core Marketing, the company behind the event, visited county councillors requesting the county provide \$25,000 a year for each of the next three years for the hosting of the event.

The county provided \$10,000 toward each

The county provided \$10,000 toward each of the 2013 and 2014 tournaments, which each drew about 1,500 people to take to the ice on Head Lake in Haliburton Village.

Councillors had hoped the event would require no more financial support from the upper tier moving forward.

Another \$10,000 had come from the Haliburton County Development Corporation, which will no longer be funding the event. "That's been confirmed," Algonquin

"That's been confirmed," Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt told members of the tourism committee, which she chairs.

Whether or not the county should continue funding the event has been heavily discussed in the community since Lumsden's request in April.

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Firefighter shortage in Highlands East

Angelica Blenich

Staff reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the May 13 meeting of Highlands East council

The municipality of Highlands East may soon be facing a situation where there are not enough people to put out their fires.

At last week's meeting of council, fire chief Bill Wingrove told councilors he was looking for new recruits for Gooderham, as

that area was getting low in numbers.

According to Wingrove's report to council, there are 48 firefighters on the Highlands East roster, eight for station one, six for station two, 13 for station three, 13 for station four and eight for station six.

"If I had the pager go off right now, I could guarantee eight firefighters, the rest all work away," said Wingrove.

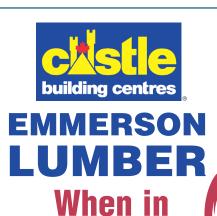
Concerned about the situation, councillor Steve Kauffeldt asked what the municipality was going to do about the situation.

"We're going to recruit," said Reeve Dave Burton.

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With the support of Dysart fire department, the Ontario Provincial Police investigate how a driver skidded off of County Road 21 east of Peninsula Road in Haliburton. The lone occupant was transported to Haliburton hospital with non-lifethreatening injuries and was released later that night. No charges were laid, as the investigation revealed wet conditions and avoidance of a dog contributed to the crash. The Haliburton **County Paramedics** also responded to the crash. The road was reduced to one lane for a few hours.

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County now looking at pond hockey sponsorship opportunity

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"Social media's on fire about it," Moffatt said. "There's been a lot of questions, a lot of questions remain."

One of the most-asked questions has been how much -Core Marketing makes from the event.

While the hockey tournament itself is registered as a not-for-profit event and Lumsden has stressed the company does not make profit, it does draw fees in the form or staff salaries, expenses, etc.

The tournament has opened up its books to the county, providing the actuals for the 2014 tournament.

According to those actuals, the event collected \$138,260 in revenues and included \$124,812.50 in expenses, leaving

'No salary for staff was expensed and the remaining profit will be used to pay salaries," a note attached to the actuals reads. "The County of Haliburton has in no way vouched or verified any of these revenues or expendi-

Along with expenses such as \$7,700 for snow removal equipment, nearly \$7,000 for player gifts and \$3,700 for ice-flooding equipment, was \$2,500 for what was listed as "extra hotel room," \$4,600 in travel expenses, \$3,200 in auto expenses and \$3,250 for a "site manager fee."

The two biggest expenditures were \$25,000 for software and \$12,000 for office space.

The biggest source of revenue for the tournament was team registration at \$86,350, followed by the respective \$10,000 contributions from the county and HCDC.

Pinestone Resort, where many players stay, kicked in \$5,000, the local Lions Club contributed \$1,500 and there was \$2,400 listed as "local sponsorship."

Moffatt said it wasn't the county's role to be picking apart expenses, but that just what the county's role was needed to be decided.

Council members were unanimous that \$25,000 a year

"I definitely think there's a role for the county as a sponsor of this event," said Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid, her colleagues agreeing. Tourism director Amanda Ranson has been in discussion

with Lumsden, who she said was looking for a response by Ranson noted that without the \$25,000, it is possible the

event would be moved to another community, something

Moffatt had asked Lumsden during his April visit if the funding would be required to keep the tournament in the

"His answer was yes," she said. "He did not say it was up for negotiation, he did not say it was up for discussion. His

Moffatt said she'd been in touch with organizers of other events that bring people to the community and that if the county was going to support the pond hockey tournament, it should expect delegations from other groups expecting cash infusions for their events.

"I'm looking at this as where is the advertising opportunity? Just like I would for anything else," Ranson said.

The tourism director said she'd be in touch with Lumsden about what the county would receive for what level of

Councillors said they'd be comfortable with up to \$10,000 a year for the next two years, but would want to know what the county was getting in exchange for its money before making any agreement.

It is expected council will make a decision regarding that amount at the end of the month.



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Councillors eye meeting with OPP brass

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

Haliburton County councillors are hoping to meet with Superintendent Rick Philbin, commander of the municipal policing bureau of the OPP, to discuss their concerns with the new billing model being proposed for the force.

For months, the county's politicians have been lobbying against the model, which would see annual policing costs in the municipality spike from \$3.3 to more than \$8.5 mil-

The model seeks to redistribute OPP costs on a per household basis throughout the province. It has been repeatedly criticized by local officials as flawed since it weights seasonal residences evenly with year-round ones and does not count commercial and industrial properties.

The county had requested a meeting with Community Safety and Correctional Services Minister Yasir Naqvi, but had not received a response before the legislature was dissolved on May 2 to make way for a June 12 election.

"We've been told we're not likely to get a meeting now," county treasurer Laura Janke told councillors at a May 14 finance committee meeting. "He's aware of us, though."

Janke said that political insiders she'd spoken to seemed to agree that it was unlikely anything would happen with the enactment of the model before a new provincial government is formed.

A regulatory change, the model does not have to pass through MPPs on the floor of Queen's Park, but rather is enacted by the ministry.

It was anticipated the new billing model would be adopted as soon as June. It is scheduled to take effect in

"A lot of people are saying an election was called, so it

kills the bill," said Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt. "It's not a bill."

Janke told council members Philbin along with a rep from the OPPA, the OPP's union, was willing to meet with them and herself in a closed meeting, with no press.

"I still think it will be worthwhile to have this meeting," said Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid, who was the county's representative on a steering committee on OPP costs assembled by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario. "The presumed level of support is a fantasy. I don't think he knows that."

Reid has said that while the steering committee's report supported the model being advocated being province, the report was not supported by all members of the committee, herself included.

Also, while the province started a municipal input process on a new billing structure in May of 2013, politicians have said it was not carried out in a clear or thorough fashion and that the cost implications were not made clear until November of 2013.

'We've been collectively accused of having not paid attention," Moffatt said.

The only financial figure that has been released by the province is an estimated average, annual per household cost of \$369.

Under the proposed model, 73 per cent of the bill (or approximately \$260) would be for fixed, base costs and 27 per cent would be for per call service, meaning this latter figure would vary depending on the amount of calls in a

The AMO has been advocating changing these percentages to 60 per cent for base costs and 40 per cent for per call and while this would help to lower costs, councillors say this is still nowhere good enough.

The treasurer has suggested it should be more like 15/85.

Janke had requested information on commercial and industrial properties from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation, running those numbers to create an alternate model.

However, "the savings to Haliburton County are not of the magnitude we expected," she told councillors Wednes-

The treasurer has said that a model based on population, perhaps with some weighting for seasonal residences, would be the most fair option.

About 60 per cent of residences in Haliburton County are

Janke said a model based on population would not require mitigation funding from the province the way the per household model would for negatively impacted municipalities.

Reid also suggested the county seek an official stance on the proposed model from each of the province's three major parties.

Liberal candidate Rick Johnson put out a release last week stating that if elected, a Kathleen Wynne government would make changes to the model.

At a municipal conference in Toronto in February, PC leader Tim Hudak told attendees his party would scrap the model if elected to government.

Reid said the county needed confirmed stances from each of the parties.

"We need to have an absolute statement from central campaign," Reid said. "People up here need to know."

Highlands East Deputy-reeve Suzanne Partridge was hesitant about the county "playing politics," but the committee voted that letters be sent out from Warden Dave Burton requesting official positions on the billing model.

Youths charged after football field ripped up by vehicle

Mischief to high school football field and area parks

On May 14 at 2:15 a.m. Haliburton Highlands OPP responded to a vehicle driving on the football field at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School on County Road 21.

Police arrived to find that the vehicle had fled the scene but had caused significant damage to the field by doing donuts on the grassy area of the field.

Shortly after that police responded to a similar event in Minden where the baseball fields were damaged.

At approximately 5 a.m. police located a 2003 Chevrolet Malibu vehicle and the occupants at a park on Pacific road in Minden.

More damage had been caused at that location and the vehicle eventually became disabled, which ended the

OPP arrested the three occupants from Minden and as

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a result a 20-year old woman was charged with impaired operation of a motor vehicle, driving with over 80 milligrams of alcohol and mischief over \$5,000.

Another 20-year-old female was charged with mischief Over \$5000

A 19 year-old woman was charged with Mischief Over

The accused are scheduled to appear in the Ontario Court of Justice in Minden on July 2.

OPP investigating copper wire theft

On May 9, OPP officers from the Haliburton Highlands

detachment responded to a theft of copper wire from a commercial property on Cedar Avenue in the municipality of Dysart et al. OPP went to the property, which is owned by Bell Canada, and observed that sometime prior to noon on May 9, unknown suspect(s) entered through the fence to gain access to the yard and stole copper wire from four cable spools. The value of the wire is estimated to be

The investigation is ongoing at this time and police are requesting the public's assistance and asking that anyone with information pertaining to the case contact the Haliburton Highlands OPP.

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HHSS club puts fun in fundraising

The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Rotary Interact Club used this past week to raise \$3,166.17 for the small Canadian charitable organization Education is Power. HHSS students were encouraged last week to donate through a series of activities that started with a pair of assemblies, followed by lunch hour bake sales, pie-ing of teachers and administration and then capped off by a buyout for the "grand finale of pie-ing" on Friday.

This charitable organization (educationispower.org) helps to improve access to education for students in East Africa. It is based in Kenya, Tanzania and Perth,

Rotary Radio Day, which is in cooperation with Canoe FM and the Rotary Clubs of Haliburton and Minden, is the single largest contributor during the week. This is an annual effort led by the Interact Club, which is affiliated with Rotary International.

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Townships get a handle on septic inspections

Chad Ingram Staff reporter

With the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge Health Unit downloading the responsibility of septic tank inspections to Haliburton County's lower tier townships effective July 1, the county's chief building officials met with a health unit rep to get a handle on some outstanding questions on May 16.

The CBOs, along with a handful of county politicians, met with Chris Beveridge, director of environmental health for the HKPR unit, in county council chambers in Minden to discuss their concerns.

The health unit announced last year that it would cease performing septic inspections at the end of 2013. An extension has pushed that date back to June 30.

While inspections - which are required under the Building Code Act for most construction projects - are currently still the responsibility of the health unit, Algonquin Highlands CBO Mitch O'Grady told Beveridge his department is already receiving calls about them.

"We're not being inundated, but receiving at least four or five a day," O'Grady said. "I don't know how to answer them."

"The health unit should be the one being involved," Beveridge said.

Files, which local townships have been after, will be transferred to the municipalities shortly. Active files will be transferred first, likely by mid-June, Beveridge said.

Some county residents with files on the go have been receiving letters from the health unit. One explains that incomplete files will be transferred to the resident's municipality for completion and another explains that, in the case of longstanding files, they will be revoked if construction does not commence by May 30.

While there is a refund process, "I don't see it in those letters," O'Grady said.

"Certainly, when people call, that is one of the options we talk about," Beveridge

said. "We are certainly issuing refunds." Fees are typically about \$875, depending

on the permit. Beveridge noted refunds would be prorated based on how much work had been completed on a file and that people should contact their local health unit office.

O'Grady said he had about 100 files in Algonquin Highlands with outstanding information and about 50 up for revoca-

Dysart et al CBO Dan Sayers said he had about 130 outstanding files and about 90 up for revocation and Minden Hills interim CBO Colin McKnight said there were similar figures in his township.

Fees that have been collected by the health unit for inspections that are not completed before the cutoff date will be transferred to the municipalities.

"Once we tally up all the costs, we'll write a cheque," Beveridge said.

O'Grady said he'd like clear numbers of outstanding files, those to be revoked and those with incomplete information, to be given to each township.

In all, the health unit has some 50,000 files for inspections dating back to 1974. It is in the process of digitizing them, having worked its way up to 1988.

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt wondered what would happen to the physical records and Beveridge said he intended to keep a physical archive at the health unit, "in case there's ever a legal hiccup somewhere."

O'Grady wondered if townships would be receiving any files with injunctions or any legal activity surrounding them.

We have nothing at the court level at the moment," Beveridge said.

Sayers said he'd been approached by people with inspection requests.

'They're reluctant to give the health unit an application . . . because they just feel it will be handed back," he said, wondering if the township could start accepting appli-

"I think you're well within your rights to do that," Beveridge said.

O'Grady didn't think Dysart should start accepting applications until its counterparts were ready as well.

"I think we move as a group, we move together," he said, emphasizing there should be consistency amongst the townships for the sake of residents and contrac-

One attendee who identified himself as a licensed installer was unhappy with how the process had unfolded.

'Î think it's quite shameful we're sitting here five or six weeks before . . . with this level of confusion," he said, adding the health unit should have been notifying those in the industry in detail about the

"I think the health unit could have done a better job . . . by holding a public meeting in first place," Sayers said.

> It was recommended that the health unit put a Q&A section on its website.

Late last year, the Peterborough County City Health Unit approached the townships of Haliburton County offering to provide inspections. While three of the four lower-tier governments had voted to enter into contracts with the PCCHU, its board recently voted against provided the service, saying it was unfeasible.

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Municipality looking at ramping up recruitment efforts

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"How is that working out for us?" asked

While Wingrove had one name to add to the roster, he removed six firefighters, including Burton and Jane Underwood, who was retiring after 15 years as a volunteer firefighter.

Wingrove said there was no point in keeping inactive recruits on the roster since the department had to cover insurance costs for each firefighter.

"I'm looking for every nickle and dime I can get," said Wingrove.

According to the fire chief, the municipality's bylaw allows for a maximum of 75 firefighters to cover the area that comprises Highlands East.

In previous years the number of firefighters on the roster has been as high as in the

Earlier this year the Dysart fire department agreed to extend their coverage further into Highlands East, with Dysart firefighters responding to fires and motor vehicle accidents along Glamorgan Road up to Alsop Road.

The expanded partnership falls under mutual aid.

Landscaping to begin at library

The new Wilberforce library is taking shape, with plans for the landscaping of the property coming along.

Councillor Kauffeldt unveiled drawings for the landscaping and an update for members of council.

The fence around the facility is set to be completed in the near future and fruit trees will be planted on the property thanks to a grant that was given to the municipality.

Burton said that while there was currently a "dust issue" at the library, that should be fixed once the parking lot was completed.

Kauffeldt suggested placing sod all around the building, as well as incorporating the concept of a food forest. A food forest is a low-maintenance, sustainable greenery that includes fruit and nut trees, shrubs, vines and vegetables.

A grand opening of the library is scheduled for June 21, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Community needs to dive into pool

With the summer months approaching, Highlands East councilors are hoping many jump into the Cardiff pool this year.

While the number of pool users for the past few years is on the decline, Kauffeldt said he is not yet ready to give up.

"We could look at having a public meeting in Cardiff, to spell it out," he said.

Kauffeldt is hoping to attract more seniors to the pool this year, by bringing programs like aquafit and Zumba to the pool.

He also suggested holding swimming lessons in the evening, instead of just during the daytime, to make it more accessible to families.

While Highlands East was not yet ready to close the pool, Kauffeldt did admit the municipality "was in trouble."

"If people don't use it than what's the point?" he said.

Councillor Cec Ryall suggested looking at transit options, such as the TROUT run out of Bancroft, for getting more people to the swimming facility.

Environment supervisor Glen Covert told council the municipality had received a proposal from resident Barb Shaw, who was interested in instructing a Zumba class.

A resolution to run swimming lesions for two weeks and to accept the Zumba proposal was passed.

Water signs

A new sign advising residents about water quality will appear at Paudash Lake this summer.

The pilot project is an initiative of the Environment and Green Energy committee of council, spearheaded by Deputy-reeve Suzanne Partridge

Initially Partridge wanted permission from council to put up three large signs at various water access points in the munici-

Councillor Joan Barton suggested the municipality speak with local lake associations about the graphics prior to installing the signs.

The water access points were very different throughout Highlands East, with some larger than others, said Barton. "People go to the beach for different rea-

sons," she said. "Some people don't want to see signs." Chief administrative officer Sharon

Stoughton-Craig suggested the word "beach" be removed from the sign.

"Beaches require lifeguards," explained Partridge said the word "beach" could be

replaced with "lake." Ryall also had a concern with the size of based on the area they were located.

Councillors agreed to install one sign at Paudash Lake as a pilot project for this year and see what the response from the public



Council is looking at placing this sign, advising residents of water quality, at area lakes this summer.

Concerns raised over building department

Highlands East resident and contractor Todd Bertram brought forth his concerns with the building department during a delegation to council.

As previously reported in the Haliburton Echo, Bertram and his business partner Manfred Nemeczek have been having problems trying to renovate two apartment units at their business UStore 28, located on Highway 28.

Bertram presented council with a history of the construction process, which includes issues the chief building official has raised with the fire separations.

Burton told Bertram the township would respond to the nine questions he submitted to the municipality in writing within seven to 10 days.





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Fire fright

HEN I FIRST MOVED up to the Highlands more than four years ago, I was asked on more than one occasion by Highlands East fire chief Bill Wingrove if I wanted to become a volunteer firefighter.

My answer, every time, was laughter.

"ME, a firefighter?" I would joke.

The idea of weekly training, answering pages at all hours of the night and running into a burning building was not only unappealing, it was downright scary.

While my personal safety has always been a priority to me, perhaps the only thing that I value as more important is my sleep.

If you're a firefighter, both of these things are

routinely tested and therefore I never put my name on the roster.

While I always thought Wingrove was joking around with me (which he partially was), I also knew he was seri-

As a fire chief who oversees five stations spread across a vast municipality, Highlands East has been in need of volunteer firefighters for the past number of years.

And the situation isn't getting much better.

Earlier this year the Highlands East and Dysart departments came to an agreement to extend their mutual aid partnership on Glamorgan Road, as the Gooderham area is one where there is a particular shortage of firefighters.

The gesture, albeit good, is only a band aid solution, as mutual aid can only go so far.

Even if there were enough firefight-

ers in Dysart to help Highlands East cover their entire municipality (which I doubt is the case), the geographic size of the municipality makes this scenario less than ideal.

If Highlands East received a fire call from Cardiff, it would likely take a firefighter from Dysart more than 40 minutes to get there, even if they

drove at my usual speed.

Those 40 minutes could be the difference between life and death.

Last week Wingrove told Highlands East councillors he had 48 firefighters on his roster and that if his pager went off at that moment he could only guarantee eight would show up, as the majority work outside of the area during the week.

And those who do work in the county are not always available, particularly between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

While recruitment efforts have been made in the past by the municipality, perhaps it's time to look at other alternatives.

Apart from the obvious idea of paying volunteer firefighters more money, which in itself is not feasible for most rural municipalities, incentives such as giving them a break on their property taxes could be exam-

And while I alone can't save the shrinking fire department, as I still don't plan on becoming a firefighter, I commend those who bravely step up to fight our fires for us.

Because the only thought I find scarier than that of becoming a firefighter, is being trapped in a fire with no one there to save me.

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For some the tools are running, for some it is art. For some it is time in nature and for other it is writing or prayer or a support group.

We all need tools that help us stay centred and focused and calm to deal with whatever challenge we are being given.

For me, when times get tough I rely on my yoga and meditation practices. Turning my mind, heart and intention within is helpful. Sometimes all I can do is build my little nest of bolsters and blankets and prop myself up to sit on my yoga mat.

A favourite meditation of mine is the mountain meditation which is all about sitting with a beautiful posture - a long, open spine.

Some people need to sit on a chair or stand to be comfortable to have a long spine, for others being seated on a cushion works (all are good postures).

When I begin the meditation I sit quietly, proudly, nobly, solidly and completely passive and still.

I invoke the image of the mountain and I see it sitting in its majesty as life goes on around it. Clouds come and go. Snow falls. Birds fly. People climb the mountain. Trees grow. Wind blows. And the mountain is unmoved.

Water flows through the caves of the mountain. Animals hide in the caves.

The mountain doesn't move. It remains present, still and witnesses all

In the same way, in my own body thoughts, emotions and physical sensa-

tions come and go and I stay present with them.

I stay quiet and still like a mountain and watch as it all move around me. It has taken me years of doing this meditation to become more mountain-like. And it has taken years of doing it when things are going well to now have it as tool when chal-

lenges come up. People often say that they don't understand why breathing is so important in yoga, or why we meditate.

What I know from my own practice of almost 20 years, is that I've stayed dedicated to learning and trying and practising, and now in difficult situations I have these tools to help.

Yoga and meditation are really practices of learning how to be aware, present and relaxed and being able to observe without judgment or expectations.

A teacher said to me "your voice is the voice of the mountain."

What a wonderful image to invoke in challenging conversation or circumstance. I can be mountain-like. I can open into my own majesty, stillness and unshakable equanimity.

And that has to be helpful for my own health and the health of those who I am engaged with.

Of course, I'm not the perfect mountain all the time.

But I hold the intention. And it helps.

Peenting the town

'THINK LAST NIGHT'S events proved, once and for all, this outdoorsman knows, more than most, how to show a woman a good time. That's right - I took Jenn along on the annual woodcock Singing Ground Survey route that I volunteer to do for Bird Studies Canada.

I really had no choice after our conversation earlier that day. "So you know I'll be driving along a deserted country road to count woodcock "peents" tonight right?" says I, dangling the

"That's nice," she said. "By the way, why are you eating a carrot; it's almost dinner."

Unless, I have absolutely no understanding of women, it seemed fairly clear that she was practically begging to tag along.

"OK! OK! I give!" I said. "You can come along!"

"But..."

"It's not a big deal," I interrupted. Actually, it was, but a gentleman doesn't point out these things - until much later, when she says, "You never take me out anywhere."

As most outdoorsmen know, woodcock Singing Ground Surveys are the kind of thing most women only dream about; right after duck banding and an evening

of watching fly tying videos.

Steve Galea

Loon Tales

Even now, on the glorious morning after, I imagine Jenn is reliving romantic memories of our date.

After all, what woman wouldn't want to drive down a bumpy, deserted country road, just after dusk, and stopping every 0.6 kilometres for exactly two minutes to listen to the nasally call of a lovesick woodcock? I've never actually read a romance novel but I'm pretty sure that this is the stuff they are made of.

The air was full of romance actually - and mosquitoes. Everywhere we stopped we heard a deafening chorus of spring peepers too - and just name me one woman who hasn't dreamed of being surrounded by a multitude of frogs?

Some time between our second and third stop, Jenn looked me deep in the eyes, pursed her lips and said, "Are we finished yet?"

"No," I replied tenderly, "you still get to enjoy seven more stops."

"I'm not sure I can take it!" she answered.

Which was understandable - the "peent" of the male woodcock is how he begs desperately for a partner. And name me one woman who is not enamored by begging.

I believe it was at the next stop that the magic really happened. Some time, between the buzzing of mosquitoes, the shrill calls of spring peepers and the sound of roosting songbirds, we heard the nasally "peent" of a lonely male woodcock.

Immediately afterwards, I turned to speak to Jenn and when I looked over, I realized words could not express how this experience brought us even closer together as a couple - unless she rolled down the car window - which she did not.

Now, I'm not normally the romantic type but, when I got back in the car to record, we had heard a peenting woodcock, even I could see that we were having one of those special moments that couples never want to forget.

I looked at her and brushed the moth from her hair. Then, I said, "I hope you don't brag too much about this to the women at work..."

"I don't think I'll share this with anyone," she whispered. "Ever."

I was so touched I got down on one knee and popped the question I'm pretty sure every woman wants to hear.

"Jenn will you survey the singing grounds with me next year?" She said, "I don't think so."

Surprised, I did what any woodcock surveyor without a partner would do.

"Peent," I replied.

letters to the editor

Thank you HCSA

To the Editor,

The following is a letter to the HCSA president Joachim

I wanted to take a moment to extend a hearty congratulations to you and your leadership team at the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association!

What an incredible job the club performed this past season. Frankly, I've noticed the past couple seasons our trails have been getting better and better. Your attention to consistent, regular and early grooming has not gone unnoticed. Haliburton is not just a good place to snowmobile - it is a great place to ride! This winter we had some pretty cool guests join us and ride HCSA trails not the least of which was Arctic Cat founder, vice president and bona fide industry legend, Roger Skime from Thief River Falls, Minnesota. I'll never forget the experience of having him ride here with us or one of his comments after we had covered the Peterson Eat to the Miskwabi intersection: "Man! This is what real snowmobiling is all about!" Nice!

Our team here would also like to let you know the "Gelert Trail" from Minden to the Rail Trail is likely the most-viewed motorized recreational trail in North America. This trail is used for approximately 70 per cent of Snowtrax Television's and DirtTrax Television's Test Rides annually. The two shows now have an international audience, including broadcast in Northern

Europe, of over 11 million viewers. If you watch the shows regularly you'll see shots on the trail. As well, Supertrax Magazine and DirtTrax Magazine both use the trail for many photo-shoots every year.

Haliburton County and its hospitality businesses owe the HCSA a great debt of gratitude. The HCSA is the reason - not a reason for tourists to come here in the winter. Yes, we have a ski hill and it is important, however the largest number of people who are in the county throughout the winter consuming food, using accommodation and other services are overwhelmingly snowmobilers. Snowmobilers are tourists and Haliburton needs more than just cottagers, we need the economic impact of tourists, particularly in the winter.

I have the opportunity to travel the snowbelts of the world and I can tell you this for sure - Haliburton County is internationally known for motorized recreation - particularly snowmobile recreation. Some in the county might cringe at this reality. Others, who know how attractive motorized recreationists are from an economic impact standpoint, know better. Let me conclude by saying this - if there is an award for providing worldclass recreation that carries millions of dollars of economic impact with it, then I nominate the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association this year! I sincerely hope you get the recognition you so richly deserve.

> **Mark Lester** Minden

RE: Ontario Provincial Police billing reform

To the Editor

The following is a letter to Premier Kathleen

I write as a solicitor in Haliburton County for over 37 years and as a property owner here for that length of time, to express not only my concerns on behalf of myself, but also on behalf of my clients and the negative impact the drastic increase in costs for police services will have on the value of properties in Haliburton County, and the ability of the majority of citizens who happen to be landowners to remain as

I am writing because the new model which allows a drastic reduction for some areas and a drastic increase for other areas is not only inequitable but also inappropriate given the concept of equalization across the province for severely poverty-stricken areas, of which Haliburton is one.

It is my understanding that in 2015, the increases will fold out with a 36 per cent increase in taxes to property owners in Algonquin Highlands, 33 per cent in Dysart et al, 25 per cent in Highlands East and 20 per cent in Minden Hills.

Other areas of the province will have a reduction in the amount they are paying for police services.

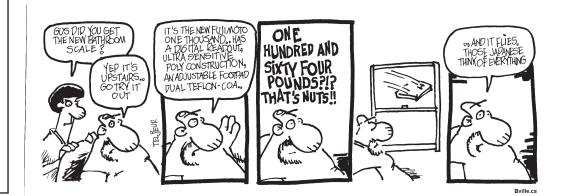
I have been a supporter of the Liberal party during all my years of voting and am afraid that this is one very bad mistake being made, which will certainly reflect in my support of the party in the future.

Please consider withdrawing this proposal and take the time to consult further with the County representatives as well as provincial representatives so that a more equitable model based upon user pay may be found that recognizes the need for all Ontarians to have proper police services but at the same point in time, recognizes the fact that certain areas of the province are drastically impoverished and cannot be left with a massive increase in the tax burden. In effect, the changes are now going to reflect a dramatic increase in taxes for one of the poorest counties in Ontario, i.e.: Haliburton County, as we have little or no source of revenue other than tax base, minimal employment which is mostly minimum wage and little or no support over the years from the province for many specialized needs.

I appreciate your consideration and remain yours

Raymond G. Selbie Haliburton

BOONIEVILLE



Investing in today's youth for a brighter future

Darren Lum

Staff reporter

Several local youth were empowered to make a healthier difference after attending the Trillium Lakelands District School Board's Healthy Active Team (HAT) Conference on Monday, May 12 at YMCA Wanakita in Donald.

According to healthy active living consultant Dave Lyons of TDLSB, the HAT is part of a TLDSB program enhancement initiative, which offers opportunities for Grade 6, 7 and 8 students to become leaders at Mariposa and Dr. George Hall Public Schools to support any and all healthy active school initiatives.

J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School Grade 7 students Kurtis Adams, Natayla Gimon, Arden Harrop, Grade 6 student Isaac Little and Wilberforce Elementary School Grade 7 students Karley Wilson and Jackson Garthshore were among close to 75 senior elementary students chosen for their athletic and leadership abilities in order teach peers what they learned at the conference from HAT students and inspirational leaders.

The participating students represented close to 40 schools from all over the board were taught a variety of activities, listened to inspiring stories of courage and determination and learned the importance of a healthy lifestyle for learning and life. They are being encouraged to teach their peers activities that are not just good for their physical and mental health but also include an aspect of teamwork

All of the participants were organized into four groups that rotated through the four sessions (learning to move, Right to Play, leadership and about HAT).

Grade 7 student Arden never realized the importance of physical activity and how it relates to our daily lives.

"It stimulates our body and makes us function better in a way that makes learning easier, gives us a better understanding of the things that we are learning, and helps us with remembering things," she wrote in an email.

A key lesson of the day were the "Eight Therapeutic Lifestyle Changes" by Roger Walsh, as presented by 13-year-old Logan Laplante during the popular series, TED Talks. The changes include exercise, diet and nutrition, time in nature, contribution and service, relationships, recreation, stress management, religious or spiritual understanding.

Arden hopes for changes as a result of what she learned like allocating more money to sports equipment and adding physical activity to supplement gym time.

We should be having daily physical activity everyday rather than getting gym once every other day even if it is just going for a hike on our trails or doing a bit of stretching in our classes," she wrote in an email.

The students came from across the school board from Lindsay and Muskoka to area schools such as Archie Stouffer Elementary School, Wilberforce Elementary School and J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School.

JDHES principal Elaine Fournier welcomes suggestions, supports her students and expects implementation this coming autumn. Currently, some of the classes, she said, are offering opportunities for activity related to improved learning such as the Minds Up curriculum.

The JDHES students will be led by staff advisor and Healthy Active Team lead Eva Grffith, who attended the HAT conference and will be working with the students,



Darren Lum Staff

J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School Grade 7 students Arden Harrop, left, Natalya Gimon and Kurtis Adams play a Right to Play game at the Healthy Active Team Conference on Monday, May 12 at YMCA Wanakita in Donald. Students learned about the importance of regular physical activity and how it affects not only health, but also thinking for school and life. Right to Play is a UN affiliated organization that fosters leadership and health through physical activity for children and youth.

Griffith said the best aspect of the conference was how two of the sessions were student led, giving an example to the student participants of how things can run at their own schools. She said JDHES has had fitness leaders before that helped teachers to run daily physical activities.

'HAT is just an new acronym for the same thing. I think it is good to revisit this and my goal is to have a team of students put together before the end of this year so that we can be ready to go in the fall," she wrote in an email.

She will use a similar format to the Dr. George Hall and Mariposa schools.

"The ultimate goal will be for teachers to develop a series of easy hands on activities learned from the HAT leaders, that they can implement when they see that their classes need a spark or pick me up no matter what time of the day

The enthusiastic Grade 6 student Isaac understands money could be a barrier, but would appreciate simple exercise routines to precede school lessons or tests.

As he learned from the TLDSB healthy active living consultant Lyons, who led the learning to move session, Isaac understands how physical health can relate to mental alert-

"Once the brain is active it's ready to focus so if we did [an exercise routine] before math class or to start the day I think we would focus better for our teachers," he said. "I find the days that I have track I find I get more done."

Grade 7 student Kurtis never expected how much the leadership component was part of the event. He welcomes the opportunity to teach children what he learned.

"It is a great thing to teach kids my age and how physical activity is so important for everyone, but especially kids around my age group," he wrote in an email.

The event's key speaker Dan Roycroft, who is an Olympian and four-time national champion in Nordic skiing, got the youth inspired at the start.

He reminded the students being a leader means standing out from the crowd and taking risks can sometimes lead to failure. However you have to take a risk to succeed.

He said the only failure if you fail is to not learn from it. Roycroft used Thomas Edison as an example, saying he not only failed 100 times, but also learned 100 ways to not make a light bulb work.



Darren Lum Staff

Above, Huntsville High School teacher John Cowan helps lead an exercise with his students for the Right to Play session, at the Trillium Lakelands District School Board's Healthy Active Team Conference on Monday, May 12 at

Right, Isaac Little laughs while playing a trust activity in the Right to Play session at the conference.



Strokes of genius



Artists in the Schools Program provides opportunity for insight and creative exploration

Darren Lum

Staff reporter

At first glance the 25 painted squares don't look like much of a masterpiece, but look closer and you can see the building blocks to an understanding and appreciation of

This past week, from Monday to Tuesday, the J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School Grade 6 class of Ed Poropat learned about art from local artist Rose Pearson, as part of the Artists in the Schools Program.

Students were tasked with completing a "quilt sampler" or "grid structure."

It's something Pearson said was developed over the past 10 years to help people learn without the pressure that is associated to a larger piece.

The Arts Council - Haliburton Highlands has facilitated the opportunity for Haliburton County children to learn art from local artists through the Artist in the School Program since 2004. This not only provides an artistic education for students and teachers, but also establishes curriculum links between the arts and school subjects, exposure to careers in the arts and creative fields and fosters connections between the community and schools.

This was organized into a two-session introduction to art with colour theory on the first day and creating on the sec-

Poropat, who said his class is always excited to have the artists, loves having the artists because they bring specialized skills that his students and he can appreciate.

It's not only an opportunity for his students to learn, but also for him, he said.

Some of the ideas, he said, can be applied to future les-

For some of his students who don't readily take to academics, this gives another avenue for an opportunity for success, he adds.

This is the second time this year the class has invited an artist, as part of the Artists in the Schools program. Earlier in the year the class learned about dance.

The Ontario Arts Council, the Rotary Clubs of Minden and Haliburton and the Haliburton and District Lions Club and Minden and District Lions Club, including private donors, fund this program.

This year 10 Haliburton County artists were involved in the program and have gone into more than 15 classrooms across the county.





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Above, Artists in the Schools instructor Rose Pearson helps J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School Grade 6 student Liya Elgazzar during the art session led on Tuesday, May 13 at the Haliburton school. Pearson taught colour theory and a variety of painting techniques. Bottom left, Grade 6 student Sam Rowden works on his piece.



Students McKayla French, left, Hailey Alden and Brayden Rogers at Wilberforce Elementary School create their backstories for the masks they created during the Artists in the Schools program on May 14. Facilitated by the Haliburton **Highlands Arts** Council, the program brings area artists to local schools for a creative experience.

Angelica Blenich





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Wilberforce students get behind masks

Angelica Blenich Staff reporter

On May 14, the Grade 5 and 6 students at Wilberforce Elementary School stepped into a role and became a new

character, just by putting on a mask.

The colourful masks that came in all shapes and textures were created with the help of area artist Fay Wilkinson, who was in the classroom last week as part of the Artists in the Schools Program.

Facilitated by the Haliburton Highlands Arts Council, this mark the tenth year for the program, which pairs up local artists in elementary schools for a unique educational

According to the Arts Council, this year 10 Haliburton County artists were involved in the program, visiting more than 15 classrooms across the county.

Last week the Wilberforce students put the finishing touches on their mask and then began creating a persona for their characters.

"Some of the backstories for the masks were amazing lots of gore of course, but also stories about loss, revenge, not fitting in, transformation - so great!" Wilkinson told the paper in an email.

The program is made possible through various donors, including the Ontario Arts Council, the Haliburton and Minden Rotary clubs and the Haliburton Lions Club, according to the Arts Council.



Left, Jordan Meharrie puts the finishing touches on his mask. Bottom, Desi Davies gets into character with his larger than life mask he created. The masks were part of the Artists in the Schools program, with this session led by Fay Wilkinson.

Angelica Blenich





Last kicks

The Red Hawks junior player Julia McEathron, right, sends a ball to a teammate against the Lindsay Collegiate Vocational Institute Spartans on Friday, May 16 at the Gary G. **Brohman Athletic Field** in Haliburton. Although the Hawks lost 6-2, they had scored two unanswered goals (Tori Hawley and Hannah Klose) to come within one goal at the half. The Spartans scored three unanswered goals to win in the final regular seaon game. Hawks assists came from Alex French and Klose.

Darren Lum Staff

Hawks track team soars to COSSA

Judi Paul

Special to the Echo

The following are Haliburton Highlands Secondary School sports briefs for the week of May 12 to May 16.

Wednesday announcements

The Red Hawks junior girls' soccer players should be congratulated on a strong performance on the stage against I.E. Weldon. There was a huge improvement from both goalies who kept the team in the game.

Emma Scheffee and Julia McEathron played with intensity in the midfield.

Thursday Announcements

The junior girls' soccer players gave Fenelon Falls a fright, holding them scoreless for large portions of the game with strong defensive play. The girls had several scoring chances that were stymied by the Falcons.

Friday Announcements

The track team had a great day at the Kawartha track and field meet with nine first-place finishes, six second-place finishes, and eight thirds.

All 33 members of the team have qualified for the Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics championship.

OFSAA experience one to grow on

Darren Lum

Staff reporter

It was simply awe-inspiring.

After returning from Markham earlier this month, the Red Hawks badminton doubles team of Tanner Hamilton and Curtis Ballantvne are still in awe of their four-day experience at the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations championship.

It's something neither will ever forget.

The pair won four matches in a row after dropping their first two to win the C flight bronze against Evan Standish and Nathan Trewin of St. Mary's High School in front of family, who made the trip for their improbable end to a Cinderella season.

Going in the pair set out to win a medal at the all-provincials, Ballantyne said.

The first loss to San Dang and Allan Pao of John Paul II Catholic High school was shocking, he said, referring to the skills they displayed.

Despite the early losses and ending up in C flight - the third group with A flight being the best, the two are satisfied with their achievement.

"We were both pretty proud we got this far and got a medal like we were hoping," he

With standing room only for the finals and the deafening noise at the Pierre Elliott Trudeau Secondary School in Markham, this event was unlike any badminton tournaments the pair has been part of.

Every point elicited cheers or screams. It was something Ballantyne said they had to

They appreciated the support of family. "It was pretty to cool to have all that and then after your point to hear them cheer it means something," Hamilton said.

After losing their first two matches on the first day, the pair stepped up and came through in the clutch. With two must-win games to advance to the medal rounds, the pair came through to knock off Chris Guinney and Rafael Indyarta of St. Michael's College from Toronto and then the twins Anthony Scalzitti and Chris Scalzitti of Unity Christian High School from Georgian

Hamilton, who was impressed by the power and caliber of players at the all-provincials, has a greater appreciation for badminton now.

"It's by far the fastest sport I have ever played. Seeing some of those kids hit birdies ... they hit the bird harder than some of us can throw a baseball," he said.

The best part of the all-provincials and this year for Hamilton was being able to share it with Ballantyne, who echoed the sentiment.

Ballantyne's older brother and Hamilton's former partner came to support the two at the competition.

Upon asking his old partner, if he wished he had come back for another year and an

opportunity to play, Hamilton said his partner thought he wasn't good enough.

With a year capped off by the OFSAA bronze, the COSSA upset still stands out for coach Jason Morrisette.

The Hawks pair knocked off a B flight OFSAA bronze medalist and the two-time defending COSSA champions for the allprovincials berth.

Morissette, who credited the team's poise under pressure to their hockey experience, winning OFSAA bronze in hockey, appreciated how this pair could execute on com-

'With these two boys you can say to them: we need you to go out there and do well. They're able to do that. A lot of athletes you can't just give 'em a tap and say, 'Go win it," he said.

Part of the experience included more than just competing at the highest level, as the pair spent four days learning about urban life and the cultural diversity represented in Ontario.

"It's a great experience for kids. I don't care what they're doing whether its sports or on a drama trip or a art trip whatever ... this is part of the process. They're meeting all of these different individuals from different places in Ontario and they're learning they're good from here," he said.

Learning includes being exposed to different schools where population sizes dwarf Haliburton village's.

As he said for the COSSA upset, Moris-

sette said their hockey experience throughout their lives, being "key guys" and the bronze medal performance at OFSAA shone through when the pair had to win three consecutive matches after dropping their first two.

He adds in a short time the two came together well despite Ballantyne's lack of doubles experience.

The Grade 11 student, who had only played singles, was willing to learn the rotational style" where players must share

Hamilton, a perennial doubles player, helped teach his partner to make the tran-

"These guys don't like to lose. As a coach I love that. I love the fact you can tell a couple of really good athletes, put them together and see where it goes," he said.

Although coaching helps, he gives most of the credit to the pair who he considers really good athletes.

At OFSAA the pair realized how good the best-of-the-best really are.

Morissette said the main difference was the "specialization" of skills by the competition that is putting in the time to be better. He compared it to the hockey skills possessed by the two Hawks players.

Despite the disparity, the two played their best and came through on guts alone.

"They just willed it," he said.



Paddling beyond the Mainstream

Thursday Evenings from 7-9pm

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A detailed job description is available at www.algonquinhighlands.ca or

Qualified candidates are invited to submit an application including a resume and cover letter by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, May 26, 2014 to:

Angie Bird, C.A.O.

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Far left. Red Hawks senior forward Jessica Karaguesian looks to break free from an I.E. Weldon Wildcats player at the Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field onTuesday, May 13 in Haliburton. The senior Hawks were shutout in the loss to the Wildcats. Left, Red Hawks senior forward McKenzie Hill, right, chases an I.E. Weldon Wildcats player.

Darren Lum Staff

Hawks fight immeasurable

Darren Lum

Staff reporter

A strong effort by the Red Hawks senior girls' soccer team wasn't enough to knock off the visiting I.E. Weldon Wildcats on Tuesday at the Gary G. Brohman Athletic



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With a pair of forwards playing sick, the team was hard pressed to generate much offense, except for the occasional solo effort or long-range shot.

Despite the weakened bench, the team's coach Sue MacDonald appreciated her team's determination and effort for the entire game.

"They played really hard. I was impressed," she said.

The Hawks lost 6-0 despite the stellar play of its goal-

keeper Maddie Billings, who saved close to 20 shots and kept the score within reach.

'It could have been way worse," she said.

Unlike their last game when Kelsey Turner and Billings shared the team's goalkeeping duties, this game was played entirely by Billings.

Notable recognition goes to Hawks back fielder Erica Carmount, who continues to play well this season and is "rock solid" while teammate Noelle Russell "played an awesome game."



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Having a ball

Left, Red Hawks junior player Hannah Klose, in red, collides with an I.E. Weldon Wildcats player for a loose ball at the Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field on Tuesday, May 13 in

Above, Hawks player Alex French battles a Wildcats player. The Hawks were shutout by the visiting Wildcats.

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HHOA stocks local lakes with fish

Angelica Blenich

Staff reporter

The volunteers of the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association were up to something fishy last week, as area lakes were filled with species such as Haliburton Gold, rainbow trout and brook trout.

Approximately 27,000 fish raised at the HHOA fish hatchery were transported to area lakes with the help of 38 volunteers and the Ministry of Natural Resources.

The annual event was done over a two-week period, with stocking done during two days last week, said hatchery chairman Terry Hill.

While the weather smiled down on the volunteers during the first week, last week was a different story.

"We no sooner got started and the heavens opened up, we got absolutely soaked," said Hill.

In total four types of fish were stocked, with Manitou Lake trout put into five lakes, Haliburton Gold into nine lakes, rainbow trout in six lakes and brook trout in one lake,

The stocking process is a delicate one, with volunteers ensuring all details such as water temperature looked after.

"We have to make sure that the water temperature is right and that the oxygen level is sufficient, because the first thing that will kill a fish is lack of oxygen and they get their oxygen from the water," said Hill.

The coordinated effort between the HHOA and MNR is part of a multi-year plan that is reviewed yearly, said the hatchery chairman.

"This is an ongoing mandate that we have," said Hill. "Up until now we've stocked just over half a million fish. We do



Scott Bird of the MNR, left, and HHOA volunteer Mike Johnston transport fish through the green tubes from their tanks into the helicopter, prior to flying them to area lakes. Types of fish that were stocked by the HHOA last week included Haliburton Gold, rainbow trout, brook trout and Manitou Lake trout. / Photo submitted

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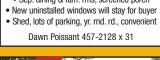
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points of view

Gerald Irish

Senior's Moment

Manners! Good manners! Politeness! Where have these gone? Have they skipped a whole generation? We were never allowed to be rude. We always addressed people with respect as "Mr." or "Mrs." If we used the first name of an adult, it was only with their permission. We are to blame. We did not insist on respect.

We did not insist on good manners with this current younger generation. We listened to the excuse, "Kids will be kids." At one point I suggested that we must demand respect from these kids and was told we can't demand it, we must earn it. What a crock of nonsense

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Where are "please" and "thank you?"



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Nancy Brink is still taking calls at 754-2516 for tables of vendors on June 7 at the Centre. This also includes the popular bake sale produced by the good cooks of Maple Lake

Because of having to prepare the column before noon on Friday, the news of the opening for the year of Abbey Gardens will have to wait for a week. Tents are up in preparation already.

Gardeners of even small plots of flowers are looking with anticipation as shoots begin to appear. When the first come, the excitement and pleasure is out of all proportions to that new growth. It just seems so long since last year when we eagerly gathered and planned and arranged the floral bou-

Lakeside Golf Course is open again which means the restaurant is also open for business.

Euchre scores for last Tuesday: High - Kay Morrison and Leon Jones Low - Sandy Poulton and George Milne Most Lone Hands - Diane Madonik and Ron Bain Specials - Iris Miscio and Emile Duchene



Turtle travels

This snapping turtle, measuring 38cm from the front of its shell to the back, was spotted preparing to cross County Road 21 during the afternoon of Thursday, May 15. The Haliburton **Highlands Land** Trust's Larry O'Connor was called in to assist, and the turtle was moved safely across the roadway.

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Helping hands

Physicians from the Haliburton **Family Medical Centre present** a \$10,000 donation to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation on May 15 to kick-off the Making Moments Matter campaign, set to begin this Friday. The campaign is in support of a new palliative care centre. The campaign launch will take place at the Haliburton hospital site at 11 a.m. May 23. Back row from left, Dr. Greg Karaguesian, Dr. Norm Bottum, Dr. Steve Ferracuti and Dr. Bob Heyes. Front row from left, HHHSF executive director Dale Walker, Dr. Aoife Conway, Dr. Scott Coles, Dr. Mike Armstrong, HHHSF director Don Popple and Dr. Doug Beattie.

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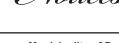
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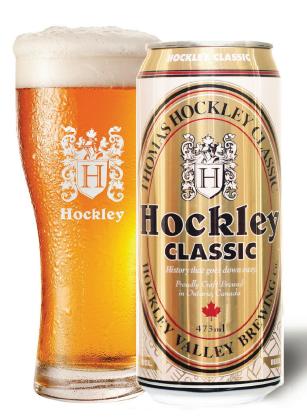
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A straight razor in its original case was a sharp reminder that shaving was a carefully learned art. Learn it or suffer nicks. Perhaps that was why beards were so common years ago.

Stories of several ancestors turned thoughts to wartime. A photo of Ira Liscombe, old enough to serve in WWI and still young enough for WWII brought with it the memory of Flo's father being absent for all that second struggle. Gladly signed up along with other hard rock miners his contingent was assigned to work on the fortress of Gibraltor that once important entrance to the Mediterranean Sea.

A poignant well preserved letter from an English relative to Joan's maternal grandmother Louisa (Sanders) Earle here in Wilberforce shared sad details about death and destruction in Britain.

The well-researched, illustrated story of a respected father which included experiences as a pilot in WWII was shared.

The importance of well-shod horses in earlier times came up as two old horse shoes and a special shoeing hammer and nails were examined.

A precious pocket watch with engraved initials was gently passed from hand to hand. Did the ancestor use it every day? Picture him drawing it from the watch pocket checking to see if it were time to water the horses and head in for dinner. Or perhaps it was kept for special times in the good suit and vest.

Have you driven on or by Rubidge Street in Peterborough? It was named for Charles Rubidge. He was Jill's great great great great maternal grandfather! Pictures of Charles and his sister were shared along with a very treasured booklet about him. In 1831 he was appointed by Lord Seaton as as immigrant agent at Peterborough. In one year alone he arranged the settlement of 4,000 in that part of Ontario. In 1870 at the grand age of 84 Mr. Rubidge was named registrar of the City of Peter-

A highlight of the evening was having four youngsters and their mother bring photos of special relatives and explain clearly who they were. Thanks Jodi, Drew, Ryan, Ty and Max for adding so much to the gathering. And there was time for refreshments at what seems to have become an annual event.

As a wind up to the recent Loop Troupe/Library Launchers production of Not Just Desserts, a number of the cast and crew enjoyed a social evening at the home

of Anne and David Watson. Always good to have a time to review the fun and challenges of a stage venture. At this occasion a cheque for \$860, the door receipts from the production was received for furnishings for the new library. Also raised at the silent auctions at the two evening shows was well over \$700. Thanks to Anne Watson for co-ordinating those auctions and to donors of prizes.

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It is with heavy hearts that we announce the sudden passing of Wendy on Saturday evening, May 10, 2014 at the age of 70. Beloved wife of Murray. Loving mother of Jeff (Nanci) and Tim (Allison). Cherished grandmother of Ryan, Nick, Shaina, Natalie and Macie. Wendy is survived by her brothers Gary, Brian and her many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her parents Gordon and Ethel Riddell and by her brother Robert. Wendy enjoyed to travel, read and spend time with her family and many friends.

Visitation, Funeral Service & Reception

Friends are invited to call on Friday morning, May 16, 2014 at HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523 Hwy 118, Haliburton, Ontario 705-457-9209 from 10 o'clock until the time of the Funeral Service at 12 o'clock. Private Interment Gooderham Cemetery. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Alzheimer's Society -Kawartha Lakes, Canadian Cancer Society or the Canadian Diabetes Association would be appreciated by the family

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In Loving Memory of

Roy Frederick Colliss



Passed away suddenly at his residence in Naples, Florida on Tuesday,

January 14th, 2014

Beloved husband of Shirley (nee Balkwill). Dear father of Kim and Karen Colliss of Fenelon Falls, Mike of Holland Landing, Marie and the late Rick of Tyrone. Loving Grampa of Lindsey, Kristen(Shane), Jamie, Jared(Jamie). A special shining star to his Great-Grand-daughter Kate. Survived by his brother James and his wife Shirley of Twin Lakes, and brother Ernie and his wife Margaret of Bowmanville. Predeased by his sister Margaret and her husband James, brother Edward and his wife Wilma, parents Thomas and Louise and in-laws Boyd and Jane Balkwill.

Roy will be fondly remembered by many nieces, nephews and amazing friends both locally and from their Florida Residence.

A Service to Celebrate Roy's Life will be held at the Minden Bible Church, 177 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden on Saturday, May 24, 2014 at 12:00 o'clock noon. Reception will follow at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #636, 12847 Hwy., #35 N., Minden.

Memorial Donations to the Minden Bible Church would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged locally through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427 Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.



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